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U.S. Department of Transportation Dockets
Docket No. **FAA-2002-13378**
400 Seventh Street S.W.
Room Plaza 401
Washington, DC 20590

November 15, 2002

RE: Docket No. FAA-2002-1337th- 974

Dear FAA,

I am very concerned in three areas of the proposed reporting rule of the **FAA**. My first concern is that the privacy rights **of** both the **shipper** and receiver of the animals will be violated. If the names **and** addresses of private **citizens** and companies are made public, they may be placed on mailing lists **or** targeted by different **groups**.

My second concern is the use of the **term** "guardian" in describing **the** owner of an animal. Animals **are** bought, **sold**, and **are** clearly consider **as** property under **the law**. The term "guardian" should **be** removed.

My final concern is the ruling's mandate that **the** airline must determine the potential future use of the animal. If the animal has been purchased by an individual consumer, then the designation as a **"pet"** may be **made by** the consumer. **However**, if the animal **is** being shipped **to** a commercial distributor **or** retailer, the final designation of the animal's **use** is unknown. Will the rat or mouse being **shipped** become a family "pet" or be used to feed a reptile such **as** a snake? Will the German Shepard pup being commercially shipped to **a** retailer, **be sold** the next **week** to a private family or to **Police Officer** for use **as a** police or drug dog. Because of this, commercial sales and commercial **shipping** of animals **should be** exempt from the FAA ruling.

Sincerely,



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president